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SUBJECT: CEAUSESCU VISIT TO WASHINGTON

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1. ROMANIANS SUGGESTED THAT CEAUSESCU STOP OVER IN WASHINGTON BRIEFLY EN ROUTE HOME FROM MEXICO VISIT FOR INFORMAL MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD. WHITE HOUSE HAS AGREED THAT TWO PRESIDENTS COULD MEET FOR AN HOUR AT THREE P.M. ON JUNE 11.

2. PLANS ARE FOR CEAUSESCU'S PLANE TO LAND AT ANDREWS AND FOR CEAUSESCU TO COME TO WHITE HOUSE (ACCOMPANIED BY ONE TOP OFFICIAL) FOR CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT. HIS PLANE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR DEPARTURE AROUND SIX P.M. AND ROMANIANS HAVE NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER CEAUSESCU WILL PAY SHORT VISIT TO ROMANIAN EMBASSY OR
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RETURN DIRECT FROM WHITE HOUSE.

3. BRIEF PROGRAMS BEING ARRANGED FOR MADAME CEAUSESCU AND OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY.

4. DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ON LIKELY CEAUSESCU CONCERNS AND INTERESTS AND APPROACHES WE MIGHT USEFULLY TAKE.

5. YOU SCHEDULED PARTICIPATE IN MEETING AND INTERPRET. TRAVEL ORDERS FOLLOW.

6. FOLLOWING IS AGREED TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE MADE SIMULTANEOUSLY JUNE 9 AT NOON, WASHINGTON TIME.

"NICOLAE CEAUSESCU, PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA, WILL CALL ON PRESIDENT FORD THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 11, 1975 DURING A BRIEF STOP-OVER IN WASHINGTON. THEIR MEETING WILL GIVE THE TWO PRESIDENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW U.S.-ROMANIAN RELATIONS AND TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON OTHER MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST."

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